

Central Business District
Architectural Review Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date: June 27, 2017

Location: City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, 8th Floor, New Orleans, LA

Called to order: 9:30 a.m.

Adjourned: 11:00 a.m.

Members Present: Elliott Perkins, James Amdal, Ashley King

Members arriving after beginning of the meeting:

Members absent: Brooks Graham, Lee Ledbetter

I. AGENDA

1. Minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting.
Motion: Approve the minutes
By: Elliott Perkins
Second: James Amdal
Result: Passed
In favor: James Amdal, Ashley King, Elliott Perkins
Opposed:
Comments:
2. Minutes of the May 23, 2017 meeting.
Motion: Approve the minutes
By: Elliott Perkins
Second: James Amdal
Result: Passed
In favor: James Amdal, Ashley King, Elliott Perkins
Opposed:
Comments:

At this time James Amdal left the meeting, and the ARC lost quorum. All remaining items shall be ratified at the next Architectural Review Committee.

3. 821 Tchoupitoulas St.

Speakers: Erin Holmes spoke in opposition to the application.

Application: Raymond Brown, applicant; 330 Julia St Associates Ltd, owner; Construction of new 111,300sq.ft. parking lot on an existing vacant lot.

Motion: Elliott Perkins made a motion to defer this application for additional review. The ARC agreed that the ground floor was still too focused on the vehicle, and the HDLC would not support the waiver required by the BZA. The ground floor openings should be reconfigured to minimize the vehicular openings. The rustication at the ground floor should be removed, the striation at the upper floor simplified and the pilasters should be read vertically. A cornice element should be added to the top of the building.

Second: Ashley King

Result: Passed

In Favor: Ashley King, Elliott Perkins

Opposed:

Comments:

4. 1020 Annunciation St.

Application: Vanessa Smith-Torres, applicant; Bch Metal Works LLC, owner; Preliminary review of massing approved by BZA for a multi-story, multi-use building.

Motion: Elliott Perkins made a motion to defer this application for additional review. The ARC agreed that Option 2 was not contextually appropriate, and Option 3 should be pursued and further studied. They found that the juxtaposition of the solid mass at the lower floors and recessed openings past the 65' transition level was successful. The top of the building seems unresolved and is more successful in Option 1. The building should be rendered in context from different street level perspectives.

Second: Ashley King

Result: Passed

In Favor: Ashley King, Elliott Perkins

Opposed:

Comments:

5. 546 Carondelet

Application: EDR Architects, applicant; Hebbler Properties, LLC, owner; Install new canopy at the front entrance and trellis at the side alley.

Motion: Elliott Perkins made a motion to defer this application for additional review. The details of the proposed trellis and awning should match the style of the existing building or be more contemporary. The removal of existing building fabric is inappropriate and the proposal needs further study. A sign on the canopy or applied steel letter centered on the wall would be more appropriate for this building. The fabric awnings at the upper floors should be set within the window, as per the historic photo provided.

Second: Ashley King

Result: Passed

In Favor: Ashley King, Elliott Perkins

Opposed:

Comments:

There being no other business to attend to, the ARC meeting was adjourned.